

TOWN OF ELLINGTON
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING
October 21, 2008

Members Present: Daniel Parisi (Chairman), Edward Duell, Shawn Koehler, Tim Kiessling, and Joe Stimac

Others Present: Town Engineer, Jim Thompson of Buck & Buck, Peter Williams, WPCA Administrator and Michael Waugh, Chairman Stafford WPCA

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Daniel Parisi called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. CITIZENS FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (STIMAC) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADD ITEMS 4.3 DISCUSSION ON FLOW ALLOCATION FOR A NEW ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY AND 5.1 iii BOND REDUCTION AIRPORT PROJECT.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Non sewerred water usage - Deduct Meters: So far the WPCA has received only 22 responses. hoping that once the summer bills hit, people will come forth. The WPCA is going to give people one more chance and put it in the town's newsletter and on the website.

2. Facilities Update:

i. Crystal Lake system - Agreement conflicts with Stafford The Ellington service area map that Stafford had submitted to the State, does not match up with Ellington's map. The state has confirmed that Ellington is in charge of their service area map. Ellington will need to submit it to the state for review and approval. The first step is to have the map in sync with the Ellington Planning and Zoning maps. Peter Williams will attend the next Planning and Zoning meeting to review the sewer service map as it relates to Zoning. The second step is to meet with Stafford and clean up the agreement as it relates to sewer service areas. At the next month's meeting the WPCA will review any proposed changes to the agreement in Executive Session.

ii. Hockanum system- Peter Williams made the WPCA members aware that Vernon had two main pumps break down. The cost to repair could range about \$800,000 and at this time Vernon has not decided how to fund the expense. Peter Williams proposed to Vernon a plan to sell the other towns being serviced by the plant additional flows that could be used to fund similar plant expenses. Vernon would have to complete a new flow analysis before considering if redistribution of flows would be feasible.

3. One Crystal Lake Road-reserved flow: They have stopped paying as per the agreement for reserving flow. The WPCA can either accept, what they have paid and negate the agreement or they can amend the agreement. The septic system they have right now is working and if it was to fail again, they would have to hook up to the sewer lines.

4. Additional Charges on excess flows: By consensus of the Authority a public hearing on excess flow charges will be scheduled for the next meeting.

4.3 Discussion of Flow allocation for a new Assisted Living Facility: The WPCA skipped ahead to this section. Mike Pietras, engineer from Engineering and Land Solutions, Inc. was at the meeting to discuss the project. He wanted to confirm if they would get approved for the project as the seller of the land wants \$100,000 non refundable deposit. He presented flow calculations from their facility in Springfield, which is close to the size they would like to build in town; it uses about 52 gallons per day. The WPCA came to a consensus that the presented range of flow for the parcel in question is within established planned flows and is an acceptable amount.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. 11 Pinney Street- YMCA conceptual approval: Eric Peterson presented the application for conceptual approval for the YMCA. The YMCA is proposing a 42,000 square foot building with 2 pools, hot tub, locker room and showers, specific needs bathroom, childcare, and a wellness and aerobics room. The long term plan is to add an extra 30,000 square feet with climbing walls, gym, teen and preteen center, and possibly a leased health care center.

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO GRANT CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL FOR A 42,000 SQUARE FEET COMMUNITY BUILDING WITH POOL AT 11 PINNEY STREET WITH A PROJECTED DAILY FLOW OF 2,900 GPD, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWN ENGINEER JIM THOMPSON'S LETTER DATED OCTOBER 21, 2008. THIS CONCEPTIONAL APPROVAL WILL BECOME INVALID IF THE PROJECT IS NOT APPROVED BY THE ELLINGTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION WITHIN TWO YEARS (OCTOBER 21, 2010).

2. Wendell Road- Subdivision conceptual approval: They were put on the agenda for this evening's meeting because they would like approval for a subdivision. Peter Williams had let them know he needed the application. The application was not received. This has been tabled until the application is received.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Design, Construction & Maintenance Reports

i. Project 2008-1 Mountain Road Sewer Line Replacement: Mountain Road Sewer work is done. Jim Thompson recommended the contractor's final request for payment be made.

MOTION (STIMAC) SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO PAY JOHN OLENDER CORP. BILL AS RECOMMENDED BY JIM THOMPSON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$142,802.41

ii. Project **2008-2 Route 83 Sewer Line Reversal**: Jim Thompson went to the DOT for relief of backfilling the trench each evening. The design is expensive as half the sewer line is off pavement and the other half is in pavement. There were questions about the laterals and if they could tie in to the existing laterals. If they were to put everything off road, they would need a 5 foot easements from people on the high side which is about 3-4 houses. After the design and budget are established the WPCA will talk about the timetable for construction.

The Airport contractor has requested the maintenance bond be released. Jim Thompson recommended that the maintenance bond be released.

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (KOHLE) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RELEASE THE CARRIER ENTERPRISES MAINTENANCE BOND AS RECOMMENDED BY JIM THOMPSON.

Additional compensation for evening meetings

Peter Williams has been attending additional monthly meetings starting in July 2008 in Stafford and Vernon, which was not part of the original scope of work for the WPCA Administrator. He has asked for additional compensation to attend additional monthly meetings. (Ellington's P&Z, WPCA Stafford & WPCA Vernon etc.)

Approximate 2 per month @ \$150 per meeting or \$300 per month = \$3,600 per year

This short time with a presence at the other towns WPCA meetings, has already resulted in much better relations between the two towns. Having better relations and firsthand knowledge of the operations in Stafford and Vernon will be well worth the added expense.

MOTION (STIMAC) SECONDED (KOHLE) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO INCREASE THE SALARY OF THE WPCA ADMINISTRATION BY \$300 PER MONTH TO COVER ADDITIONAL TIME SPENT TO PREPARE FOR AND ATTEND EVENING MEETINGS OTHER THAN THE AUTHORITY'S REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS. THE EFFECTIVE START DATE TO BE AUGUST 1, 2008.

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (STIMAC) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2008.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION (STIMAC) SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:31 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jessica Cosman